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AMENDMENT A

SIR:

In response to the Patent Office Action dated February 14, 2001 in the above designated application, please amend the application as follows:

In The Claims:

Claims 1, 7, 9, and 10 are revised to read as follows:

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1. A prosthesis comprising:

a shell, said shell including at least one screw hole formed therein,

said shell including a smooth inner sealing surface; and

a liner configured to seat within said shell, said liner including

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